

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 1 and 3 - 6 are presented for consideration. Claims 1 and 3 have been amended to set forth that the closed shapes project outward from the film. Support for such amendment is found at least on page 15, lines 11 - 12 of Applicants' specification. No new matter has been added.

By way of the Office Action mailed August 11, 2009, claims 1, 3, and 5 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Cree (US 2003/0022582) in view of Yamamoto (JP 03-030934), Patchell (US 3441638) and Hovis (US 4842794).

Claims 1 and 3 have been amended to include the feature that the closed shapes project outward from the film (see, for example, Figure 2 of Applicants' specification). The cited combination of references does not teach or suggest forming a pattern of shapes projecting outward from a film. For example, the Yamamoto figures (3 and 4) and the Patchell figures (1, 3, 4, 6, and 14) show shapes projecting into a film. Because the cited combination does not teach or suggest all the features of claim 1 or claim 3, the cited combination does not render claim 1, 3, or the claims depending therefrom obvious in the sense of 35 U.S.C. § 103. Favorable action thereon is respectfully requested.

Claims 1 and 3-6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Morman'992 (US 5226992) in view of Cree, Yamamoto, Patchell, and Hovis. Claims 1 and 3 include the feature that the closed shapes project outward from the film. The cited combination of references does not teach or suggest forming a pattern of shapes projecting outward from a film. Because the cited combination does not teach or suggest all the features of claim 1 or claim 3, the cited combination does not render claim 1, 3, or the claims depending therefrom obvious in the sense of 35 U.S.C. § 103. Favorable action thereon is respectfully requested.

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depending therefrom obvious in the sense of 35 U.S.C. § 103. Favorable action thereon is respectfully requested.

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